

William Johnston Triumphs Over William Tilden, 2d, in Battle for Lawn Tennis Crown

California Crashes Rival In Three Straight Sets, Winning at 6-4, 6-4, 6-3

Tall Philadelphia Player Unable to Avoid Deadly Sweep of Johnston's Racquet, While Victor's Volleying Amazes Gallery of 9,000 Persons

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William M. Johnston, of California, won the national singles lawn tennis championship title by crushing William T. Tilden, 2d, of Philadelphia, by a score of 6-4, 6-4, 6-3 yesterday afternoon on the championship turf court of the West Side Tennis Club, of Forest Hills. This makes the second time that the highest honors of the courts in this country have fallen to the wonderful little Californian, for he was champion in 1915, but he never played a more perfect game than he did yesterday.

It might be said for Tilden that he never approached the heights of brilliance that had marked his work in the semi-final round, when he defeated Richard Norris Williams, 2d, but that would not be entirely fair to Johnston, for it was the little Californian's fierce aggressiveness from the time the first point was played until the last that served to rob Tilden's game of its strength and made him a certain victim of Johnston's flawless tennis.

I have watched the new champion in most of his important matches for the last five years. I have seen him defeat Maurice McLoughlin, Williams, Lindsey Murray and Gerald Patterson, and his defeat of Tilden yesterday was his crowning achievement, in my opinion. The Californian's victory must be set down as a great triumph, for it is the first time since the late 19th century that a player has won the national title by a score of 6-4, 6-4, 6-3.

Side line, but it was "deuce" when the Philadelphia man John's drive on the full volley and sent it out of court. The Californian won the next two points and the game with two deuce points and a backhand shot to the net. Johnston broke through his opponent's service in the second game with Tilden getting only one point. The latter made a double-fault on his first service and Johnston sent his return of service into the net on the next point.

A net by Tilden and a sharp overhand volley across court by Johnston made the points 4-15, and then Tilden dropped the game when Johnston sent up a crafty little lob almost to the base line just as Tilden, having been so much surprised at the net, was not prepared to meet a drive or a volley.

It was a significant point, even though Johnston was alive to every opportunity and that Tilden could not settle into his game. The third game went to the Californian on service. Tilden experienced trouble in handling his opponent's severe defense. The games stood at 1-1, 2-1, 3-1, 4-1, 5-1, 6-1, 7-1, 8-1, 9-1, 10-1, 11-1, 12-1, 13-1, 14-1, 15-1, 16-1, 17-1, 18-1, 19-1, 20-1, 21-1, 22-1, 23-1, 24-1, 25-1, 26-1, 27-1, 28-1, 29-1, 30-1, 31-1, 32-1, 33-1, 34-1, 35-1, 36-1, 37-1, 38-1, 39-1, 40-1, 41-1, 42-1, 43-1, 44-1, 45-1, 46-1, 47-1, 48-1, 49-1, 50-1, 51-1, 52-1, 53-1, 54-1, 55-1, 56-1, 57-1, 58-1, 59-1, 60-1, 61-1, 62-1, 63-1, 64-1, 65-1, 66-1, 67-1, 68-1, 69-1, 70-1, 71-1, 72-1, 73-1, 74-1, 75-1, 76-1, 77-1, 78-1, 79-1, 80-1, 81-1, 82-1, 83-1, 84-1, 85-1, 86-1, 87-1, 88-1, 89-1, 90-1, 91-1, 92-1, 93-1, 94-1, 95-1, 96-1, 97-1, 98-1, 99-1, 100-1, 101-1, 102-1, 103-1, 104-1, 105-1, 106-1, 107-1, 108-1, 109-1, 110-1, 111-1, 112-1, 113-1, 114-1, 115-1, 116-1, 117-1, 118-1, 119-1, 120-1, 121-1, 122-1, 123-1, 124-1, 125-1, 126-1, 127-1, 128-1, 129-1, 130-1, 131-1, 132-1, 133-1, 134-1, 135-1, 136-1, 137-1, 138-1, 139-1, 140-1, 141-1, 142-1, 143-1, 144-1, 145-1, 146-1, 147-1, 148-1, 149-1, 150-1, 151-1, 152-1, 153-1, 154-1, 155-1, 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